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In re Application of

Badura, et al.

Serial No.: 09/943,841

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Filed: August 31, 2001

Examiner: Unknown

For: ELECTRONIC METHOD FOR DETERMINING PROCUREMENT  
BUSINESS STRATEGY

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.17(h) AND RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF  
INCOMPLETE NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION AND REQUEST FOR REFUND**

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Incomplete Nonprovisional Application dated October 5, 2001 (a copy of which is attached hereto), Applicants hereby petition and contend that the alleged omitted items were, in fact, filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office with the filing of the original application on August 31, 2001. In support of this contention, attached hereto are copies of:

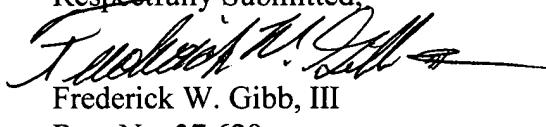
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**In view of the above, Applicants hereby request that this Petition be granted and that  
the Petition fee be refunded to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0510.**

For the convenience of the Patent Office, also attached hereto is a duplicate copy of the as-filed drawings.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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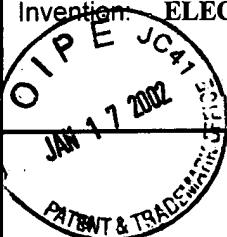
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